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Commenter	Page/Section in 12-15-10 version	Comment	Resolution
Ken Vogel	Pg. 9—bullet regarding mission statement	What is the specific charge of the present Governor and how may that change with the incoming Governor?	Added clarification that charge as stated in enabling statute
ibid	Pg. 9—bullet item about external and internal assessments	“external and internal” to what?	Added clarification that it external and internal conditions refers to the Conservancy’s operations
ibid	Pg. 11—Option 1 vision statement	No mention of the importance of preserving agriculture in the Delta. Typically an “accessible Delta” conflicts with private property rights of Delta landowners.	Comment noted.
ibid	Pg. 11/12—last bullet in Option 2 vision statement	Again, no mention of preserving agriculture in the Delta. Also, it would be assumed that the preservation of water flow and water quality would be of paramount importance to the Conservancy. Without it, you will have nothing.	Comment noted.
ibid	Pg. 13—Description, third paragraph	The tone of this document is similar to a report issued by UC Berkeley regarding future uses in the Delta (see attached) primarily as a national park. This is concerning.	Comment noted.

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ibid	19—second paragraph about agency funding	Would delete this sentence. Bond language may be rewritten.	Added clarifying clause to sentence, and additional sentence about possible rewriting of bond
ibid	Pg.21—last bullet under Our Key Objectives about providing water to 2/3 of Californians	This may be misleading. Exports from the Delta provide SOME of the water used by two-thirds of the State’s population but not 100% of that water use.	Added word “some” to bullet to address comment
ibid	Pg. 24—external and internal assessments in first paragraph	As above, “external and internal” to what?	Added clarification that the external and internal assessments are regarding Conservancy’s operations
ibid	Pg. 25—last bullet item	What are the sources of the numerical data used in these bullet points? Are any disputed or contradicted by other verified data?	Comment noted. Date source is the Status and Trends Report completed by URS Corporation for DWR, May 2007. DPC used this same source for its Management Plan update.
ibid	Pg. 26—item 6, about risk of floods and potential earthquakes	How significant? What is the source of this conclusion? DRMS?	Comment noted. Staff thinks the term “potential earthquakes” addresses the uncertainty regarding the DRMS report and the risk of earthquakes to the Delta levees. Language is adapted from various state policy documents.
ibid	Pg. 31—first paragraph under Organizational Goal 3	Delete “and authority to spend granted”	Comment noted. This is a compound sentence in which

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			case both clauses must exist in order for the Conservancy to receive and spend funds from Congress. The Conservancy has authority to spend money its state enabling legislation and through the Governor's budget.
ibid	ibid	Add "and/" to "—including grants, endowments, or fees"	Comment noted. The use of the word "or" means that either one or a combination of the three can take place; adding "and" is redundant.
ibid	Pg 33—third bullet under Objectives in Goal 32322(a)	Delete the word "take"	Comment noted. This objective of facilitating take protections are specifically identified in PRC 32322
Ibid	Pg. 34—Program Goal 2 space holder for description of goal	Description of this goal is of significant importance and to SJC.	Comment noted
Chuck Bonham	Pg. 21—Our Key Principles section	Add new principle: To establish a culture of working together towards cooperative solutions and valuing the diversity of all communities that care about the Delta.	Comment added to text.
Mike Eaton	Pg. 18—end of climate change addition	Include additional text about sea level rise and Delta vulnerability. Full note included in draft.	Comment noted.

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Ibid	Pg. 39—Program Goal 4 background statement	Add general statement about opportunities and then move to Locke as an example of a near- term potential opportunity.	Comment noted.